

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 648  
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A RESOLUTION to recognize Donald Derek Drake, 2000 Co-  
valedictorian of White House High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those persons who, through their natural talents and commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Donald Drake is one such exceptional student who recently was named co-valedictorian of the 2000 graduating class at White House High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and unyielding commitment of time and talent, Mr. Drake has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students of Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Donald has earned an exemplary grade point average; and

WHEREAS, Donald's superb intellect was duly noted with his first place Algebra II achievement in the 1999 Math competition; and

WHEREAS, he proved himself to be an eloquent and articulate speaker in Mock Trial, where he was named Best Defense Attorney in the Mock Trial District Competition; and

WHEREAS, Donald Drake's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Donald's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Donald and Sheryl Drake, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Donald Drake's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend 2000 White House High School Co-valedictorian, Donald Derek Drake, on his impressive academic achievement, and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.